

REMARKS

Status of the Claims

Claims 1-34, 37-39, and 42-44 are presently pending. Claims 35, 36, 40, and 41 have been cancelled. Claim 37 has been amended into an independent claim, and claim 38 has been amended to correct dependency in light of amended claim 37. No new matter has been added.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 1-34, 37-39, and 42-44. In the Office Action, the Examiner found that claims 35, 36, 40, and 41 are rejected. In the present Amendment, claims 35, 36, 40, and 41 are cancelled. Thus, only the allowed claims remain.

Applicant respectfully requests that this Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 be entered by the Examiner, placing claims 1-34, 37-39, and 42-44 in condition for allowance. Applicant submit that the proposed amendments of claims 37 and 38 do not raise new issues or necessitate the undertaking of any additional search of the art by the Examiner, since all of the elements and their relationships claimed were either earlier claimed or inherent in the claims as examined. Therefore, this Amendment should allow for immediate action by the Examiner.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant requests the entry of this Amendment, and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 50-2961.

Respectfully submitted,

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